

# Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** Otis and Rosie Brown of Arlington have shared their lives for the betterment of their children and their community. During their 40 year marriage, Otis and Rosie raised three successful children while balancing her work as a teacher and his career at Xerox, all the while supporting neighborhood youth; and

**WHEREAS,** in honor of her parents, Thasunda Brown-Duckett established The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation - "Extraordinary Is", created to celebrate ordinary people doing extraordinary work in the community. The Otis and Rosie Brown Foundation focuses on facilitating access to community resources, supporting students' academic pursuits, and promoting overall improvement of the emotional well-being of youth and families; and

**WHEREAS,** giving back to our youth, The Foundation has established a scholarship fund for Arlington Independent School District seniors accepted to an accredited college, university or trade school; and

**WHEREAS,** the first Extraordinary Is Awards Gala, being held on November 12, 2015, will celebrate extraordinary community based organizations and corporations that have given back to the community through ordinary resources; and

**WHEREAS,** the City of Arlington recognizes the generosity of Otis and Rosie Brown and celebrates their many contributions to our community and our youth.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I,** W. Jeff Williams, Mayor of the City of Arlington, Texas, and on behalf of the Arlington City Council, do hereby proclaim the Thursday, November 12, 2015 as

## OTIS & ROSIE BROWN DAY

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City to be affixed this 11th day of November in the year of Our Lord two thousand and fifteen.*

  
MAYOR

